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## FUEL AND POWER FACILITIES EXPANDED

GDAŃSK GASWORKS EXPANDED -- Rzeczpospolita, No 44, 14 Feb 49

In production, the gasworks in Gdansk holds fourth place in Poland. At present, it supplies 19,000 consumers, and its annual output is 18 million cubic meters of gas.

According to the long-term plan, the gasworks in Gdansk is expected to become the central plant supplying the entire seacoast. In 1948, preliminary work on the rebuilding of high-pressure compressors was begun.

Within the period of the three-year plan, work in connection with the expansion of the gasworks will absorb 2 billion zlotys. It is expected that by 1950 the Gdansk gasworks will reach an annual output of 40 million cubic meters of gas.

1,218 VILLAGES ELECTRIFIED DURING 1949 -- Zycie Warszawy, No 49, 19 Feb 49

During 1948, a total of 1,218 villages in Poland were electrified. In the prewar period from 1918-1939, only 1,000 villages were electrified within a 20-year period. It was necessary to build nearly 1,500 kilometers of high-tension lines, nearly 4,000 kilometers of low-tension lines, nearly 1,000 transformer stations and substations. An investment of over 2 billion zlotys was made by the state for village electrification purposes. This electrification of villages means more reading rooms, clubs, theatres, and most important, more radios.

COAL PRODUCTION INCREASES -- Zycie Warszawy, No 29, 30 Jan 49

In 1948 the production of 76 mines of black coal reached 67,500,100 tons. Total production of all coal mines was 70,259,712 tons of 104.1 percent of the plan, an increase of 1.2 percent over 1946. Value of pro-

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duction in 1937 zlotys is 1,475,442,255.

Output per worker reached 1,232 kilograms of coal or an increase of 94 kilograms (8.3 percent) over 1947.

The value of the total production of the coal industry in 1948 was 16 percent of the total industrial production in Poland in 1948.

**DOMESTIC COAL MARKET APPROACHES STABILITY** -- Zycie Warszawy, No 32, 2 Feb 49

According to reports of the Central Administration of Sales for the Coal Industry, more than 45,215,000 tons of black coal and briquets were distributed to domestic markets in 1948.

Coal for industrial uses and coal byproducts amounted to 28,164,000 tons, as compared to 25,490,000 tons in 1947. It is estimated that approximately one million tons of coal were consumed by villages, whereas consumption in 1947 was only 719,000 tons.

According to provisional statistics, per capita consumption in 1938 was 730 kilograms, in 1946, 1,368 kilograms, and in 1948, 1,796 kilograms.

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